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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Kenji SUGIYAMA

Serial No. 10/029,793

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR DECODING PICTURE  
SIGNAL AT VARIABLE  
PICTURE RATE

Art Unit: 2631

Examiner: Torres, Juan A.

Atty Docket: 0102/0191

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated April 1, 2005. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amend claims 1-4.

Add new claims 5-7.

Amend the specification.